



CMAQ Project Selection Committee
DRAFT Minutes – Thursday, November 1, 2018

- Committee Members:** Doug Ferguson, Chair (CMAQ), Darwin Burkhardt (IEPA) (via phone), John Donovan (FHWA), Mark Pitstick (RTA), Keith Privett (CDOT), Chris Schmidt (IDOT) (via phone), Chris Snyder (Counties)
- Staff Present:** Teri Dixon, Erin Kenney, Stephanie Levine, Jen Maddux, Simone Weil
- Others Present:** Travis Bandstra, Emily Bergstrom, Mike Connelly, Laura Fedak, Erin Fiorini, Jackie Forbes, Chris Gheysen, Jason House, Mike Klemens, Joshua Klingenstein, Daniel Knickelbein, Steven Mannella, Jack Melhuish, Ryan Peterson, Leslie Phemister (via phone), Tom Rickert, Cody Sheriff, Brian Stepp, Ed Szydowski, David Tomzik, Michael Weiser

1.0 Call to Order

Mr. Ferguson called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – August 16, 2018

On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the minutes of the August 16, 2018 were approved.

4.0 Program Monitoring

4.1 Project Programming Status Sheets

Ms. Maddux presented the program status summary sheets for active and deferred CMAQ and TAP-L funded projects and noted that the sheets were updated following the submittal of the fall project status updates.

4.2 Programming Summary and Obligation Goal

Ms. Maddux reported that CMAQ programming summary and obligation goal was included in the Committee packets and noted an increase in cumulative obligations from \$87 million in August to nearly \$112 million at the end of FFY 2018. While the region spent its annual allotment, it fell short of the \$128 million obligation goal.

Ms. Maddux presented the recommended obligation goal of \$152.88 million for FFY 2019. On a motion by Mr. Snyder and seconded by Mr. Pitstick, the FFY 2019 obligation goal was approved.

5.0 Project Changes

5.1 Palatine – Roselle Road/Euclid Avenue Multi-Use Path (03-18-0004)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a schedule change to move \$400,000 CMAQ (\$500,000 total) for construction from FFY 2021 to FFY 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick, and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the requested schedule change was approved.

5.2 Melrose Park – Metra Station and Pace Route Access Improvements (04-18-0002)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a schedule change to move \$39,040 CMAQ (\$48,800 total) for design engineering from FFY 2021 to FFY 2019 and \$296,000 CMAQ (\$370,000 total) for construction from FFY 2022 to FFY 2020.

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick, and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the requested schedule changes were approved.

5.3 Riverside – Central Business District Bike Parking (05-16-0002)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a scope change to remove the shelters from the project scope. The requested scope change reduces the cost of construction to \$30,400 CMAQ (\$38,500 total).

On a motion made by Mr. Privett, and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the requested scope change and cost decrease were approved.

5.4 Hazel Crest – Commuter Parking along Park Ave from 167th St to 171st St (07-09-0003)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested to reinstate \$21,000 CMAQ (\$26,000 total) for preliminary engineering in FFY 2019. Due to incompleteness, the project was deferred in FFY 2012, and the village is working with IDOT to complete the project.

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick and seconded by Mr. Privett, the requested reinstatement was approved.

5.5 Oak Forest – TOD Area Access to Transit Improvements (07-16-0004)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested cost increases of \$51,000 CMAQ (\$64,000 total) for design engineering, \$419,000 CMAQ (\$524,000 total) for construction and \$105,000 CMAQ (\$131,000 total) for construction engineering in FFY 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Snyder, and seconded by Mr. Pitstick, the requested cost increases were approved.

5.6 Clarendon Hills – Metra Station Bicycle Parking (08-16-0002)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested to transfer \$5,000 CMAQ (\$6,000 total) from design engineering to construction in FFY 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Privett, and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the requested transfer was approved.

5.7 DuPage County DOT – Central Signal System Expansion (08-18-0003)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a cost increase of \$454,000 CMAQ (\$568,000 total) for construction in FFY 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick, and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the requested transfer was approved.

5.8 Carpentersville – IL 31 at Huntley Rd (09-08-0005)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a cost increase of \$500,000 CMAQ (\$625,000 total) for construction in FFY 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Snyder, and seconded by Mr. Privett, the requested transfer was approved.

5.9 Kane County DOT – Randall Rd at Weld Rd/US 20 (09-18-0003)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a cost increase of \$3,003,000 CMAQ (\$3,752,000 total) for construction and a schedule change to move construction from FFY 2022 to FFY 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Snyder, and seconded by Mr. Pitstick, the requested cost increase and schedule change were approved.

5.10 CTA – Purchase of up to 10 Electric Buses and Two En-Route Charging Stations - Systemwide (16-18-0001)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a schedule change to move \$8,000,000 CMAQ (\$10,000,000 total) for implementation from FFY 2021 to FFY 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Privett, and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the requested schedule change was approved.

5.11 CTA – Red Purple Modernization (16-10-9001)

Ms. Maddux reported that the sponsor requested a schedule change a schedule change to move \$25,000,000 CMAQ for implementation from FFY 2020 to FFY 2019.

Mr. Connelly stated that the project is rapidly advancing, and CTA is readying to sign a design-build contract so the CMAQ funding will be put to use in 2019.

On a motion made by Mr. Privett, and seconded by Mr. Pitstick, the requested schedule change was approved.

6.0 FFY 2020-2024 Program Development

Mr. Ferguson reported that the committee packets included a memo addressing prior discussions regarding the evaluation criteria for the CMAQ and TAP-L programs. He stated that staff is anticipating the next call for projects to open on January 15, 2019 in conjunction with the STP program.

Mr. Ferguson reported that staff had originally proposed using NOx in the cost benefit scores for all projects, but is now proposing to only use them with the Direct Emissions Reduction projects and calculating the emissions benefit score. He noted that staff will continue to analyze the NOx benefit for each project since CMAP is required to report it for federal performance measures.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the Regional Priority criteria score for Inclusive Growth would remain as proposed at the August meeting.

Mr. Ferguson reported that the rest of the proposed changes are related to the highway project Transportation Impact Criteria. The first proposed change is to drop the CMP network score to avoid double counting points for projects that also have high traffic volumes which have a large impact on the emissions cost benefit scores. The Transit Benefit score is proposed to be replaced with the Corridor/Transit Improvement score. Finally, the Reliability score will remain at 15 points because the Safety score would remain at 5 points. The method for calculating the Safety score would change from only giving points to IDOT 5% locations to a safety need score based upon the safety road index (SRI) which will be for all roads. Sponsors will need to show how the project will address the safety need in their application to receive the Safety need score. The SRI is used by IDOT to identify the 5% locations so there is continuity between old and new score.

Mr. Schmidt stated that the proposed changes are good.

Mr. Snyder asked whether the data source for the Safety need score will be provided. Mr. Ferguson replied that the information will be available in a map and the highest scored segment of a project will be used for the project score.

Mr. Rickert asked whether the Corridor criteria must be multimodal. Mr. Ferguson replied that the application must show the project is part of a corridor by providing evidence of currently programmed projects or corridor studies. Mr. Snyder asked whether Strategic Regional Arterials (SRAs) would qualify. Mr. Ferguson replied that SRAs would be considered.

Mr. Pitstick stated that he appreciated the adjustments and discussions on the proposed changes.

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick and seconded by Mr. Schmidt, the evaluation and criteria changes for the next call for projects were approved.

7.0 2019 Meeting Schedule

On a motion made by Mr. Pitstick and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the 2019 committee meeting dates were approved.

8.0 Other Business

Mr. Privett reported that today is the deadline for submitting comments on the Surface Transportation Board’s rulemaking that affects many rails-to-trails projects by limiting the amount of times railbanking may occur. Mr. Privett stated that CMAP filed comments in opposition, citing IDOT’s “It Takes Time” that outlines the length of time these types of projects take, and CDOT appreciates CMAP staff and administration in filing in this docket.

Mr. Privett reported that the American Institute of Architects Design Excellence Awards recently acknowledged the CMAQ funded Washington/Wabash CTA elevated station with an award in the “Distinguished Building” category as well as a certificate of merit in the “Delightful Detail” category.

Mr. Pitstick reported that the CMAQ funded Interagency Signage project, on which RTA, CTA, Metra and Pace have been working for years, has nearly completed the first phase of project implementation with signage at Harvey, Museum Campus, Montrose/Mayfair, Lake Cook Road, Elgin, Naperville, and Lisle.

9.0 Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

10.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

11.0 Adjournment

On a motion made by Mr. Privett, and seconded by Mr. Snyder, the meeting was adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

CMAQ Project Selection Committee Members:

____ Darwin Burkhart	____ Mark Pitstick	____ Chris Schmidt
____ Luann Hamilton	____ Jeffery Schielke	____ Chris Snyder
____ Douglas Ferguson, Chair		